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ARRAS IS RECAPTURED BY FRENCH AFTER HARD FIGHTING

FRENCH PREMIER'S BROADCAST TO PEOPLE

"IF WE HOLD ON FOR ONE MONTH—AND WE SHALL HOLD ON—THEN WE SHALL HAVE COVERED THREE-QUARTERS OF THE ROAD TO VICTORY"

A note of confidence was sounded in the French Premier's broadcast address to the French people yesterday morning which was received in London as eagerly as in France, says British Wireless.

In the course of it, M. Paul Reynaud said, "I have just seen General Weygand who was home from the Front. He told me he was confident nothing was lost if everybody does his duty."

"The civil population must not be terrorised by the mechanised onslaught of Germans."

They must stay at home quietly, and work.

"Weakness and disorder would seriously hamper the success of our arms. Orders to this effect have been given to the military authorities."

"I repeat that if we hold on for one month—and we shall hold on—then we shall have covered three-quarters of the road to victory."

LIKE EVERY FISH STORY

THIS ONE EXPANDS WITH TELLING

"Merely a school of porpoises—nothing to be alarmed about" was the remark made by a hardy matinier who was one of the many people gathered on the waterfront yesterday afternoon, off the Hongkong Club.

Thinking that I would see some really big follow: I ambled over but owing to the large number of people that lined the Praya, it took me some time to see that the objects of so much curiosity were not the "Loch Ness Monsters" of 10 feet, as reported by an evening contemporary, but comparatively small ones, some five feet long. But of course, like every good fish story, this expands with the telling.

Summing up my best Chinese, I got into conversation with an old sea dog who appeared to be making quite an impression with a section of the onlookers.

"Aly" he said, "no blong good business. This fashion fisher, he bring too muchee bad luck. More better chop-chop go homeside chin-chin lossee."

I also learned that the Chinese regard porpoises as harbingers of ill-omen and when I reminded the sage who was holding forth that we had a visit from an exceptionally large school of porpoises in late 1918, his weather-beaten features wrinkled up as he smilingly replied, "My thinkee this time more bad luck for German!"—J.H.F.

CANBERRA, May 22 (Reuter)—Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Premier, announced in Parliament today that Australia was raising a third division of troops immediately for service, abroad.

ITALY WILL NOT BE BYSTANDER: PRESENT EVENTS FOLLOWED IN ROME WITH GREAT VIGILANCE

NAZIS NOT INTERESTED IN N.E.I.

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter)—Germany's reply to the Japanese, note regarding the Netherlands East Indies says that Germany is not interested in the problem of the N.E.I.

The reply was handed to the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, by the German Ambassador in a 40-minute interview this morning.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Foreign Office has not yet received the Soviet reply regarding trade negotiations, alleged details of which were given by Moscow, says Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent. Hence, the Foreign Office is unable yet to comment on the matter.

20 Heinkels Tackled By R.A.F. Pilot

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The story of how a single R.A.F. fighter pilot tackled 20 Heinkel bombers single-handed last night was told in London today.

The bombers passed over Calais heading for England while the fighter was on patrol. He selected one which he pursued and fired all of the eight guns at 50 yards range. The Heinkel's undercarriage fell off and the smoke poured from the engines.

The fighter tackled the second bomber, using up the remaining ammunition and causing smoke from the engines.

Satisfied that both were disabled, the fighter returned safely to the base after successfully evading an attack from a Messerschmidt.

BRIDGES BOMBED

LONDON, May 22 (BWS)—The Air Ministry announces, "Dense traffic moving over the enemy's communication systems was again heavily attacked throughout last night by large bomber forces of the R.A.F." The objectives included railway junctions, marshalling yards and bridges over a wide area in Germany radiating eastward from Aachen.

"Similar targets in the immediate rear of the battle area were also heavily bombed, notably roads and bridges across the Meuse in the region of Namur and Dinant."

NO CASUALTIES

The Air Ministry and Minister for Home Security announce, "Enemy aircraft jettisoned bombs in two districts in south-east England last night. Some bombs fell on land and others in the sea. Anti-aircraft guns were in action. There were no casualties and no damage is reported."

"HOLD ON AND WIN"

WATCHWORD OF FRENCH PRESS

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—"Hold on and win" seems to be the watchword of the French press this morning.

M. Charles Morice, in *Petit Parisien*, attempts to describe the confused situation. The German advance, he hopes, has been carried out in such conditions that the weak points will soon be discovered.

Perinax, writing in *L'Ordre*, declares that the Franco-British organism will resist the test which the German Army is putting it through and that there will be a rapid change in the course of events, since behind the French and British, vast resources are mobilised against the invader.

R.A.F. CASUALTIES

Decisive Battle To Be Fought

BERLIN, May 22 (Reuter)—General von Reichenau, Commander of the Sixth German Army, in an interview given to foreign press correspondents at his headquarters, stated that the decisive battle of the war has yet to be fought.

He added that so far preliminary encounters had been made. He said that the Allies had two army corps facing the Germans in the present salient.

King Leopold At Le Havre

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter)—The Belgian Ambassador, M. Fortomme, communicated to the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, at 5 p.m. today that King Leopold III has taken refuge at Le Havre to where the seat of the Belgian ferred.

DOCKS AT CALAIS BOMBED

COMMUNIQUE BY HITLER'S H.Q.

BERLIN, May 22 (Reuter)—A communiqué dated from the Fuehrer's headquarters says, "The breaking through of the German troops to the Channel coast continued yesterday to the north-west of St. Pol and Montreuil-sur-Mer."

"The harbour and docks at Ostend, Calais, Boulogne and Dieppe were successfully attacked again by the German Air Force."

"In Flanders, the enemy resisted toughly to cover their retreat on the Scheldt. An attack is stubbornly progressing near Valenciennes against French

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Creed Of Naziism Must Be Denounced As The Arch Enemy Of Mankind

The desire expressed by the King that Sunday, May 26, be observed as a day of national prayer has been warmly approved by the English Catholics, says British Wireless.

Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, recalls in a letter to The Times, that, in this month of May, Catholics are urged by the Holy Father to pray for a just, honourable and lasting peace, and adds that Catholics will not fail to observe the directions of the Pope nor to fulfil the desires of the King.

He proceeds, "But I feel bound to urge something more. In the name of all we hold sacred, I appeal to Catholics to condemn by word and deed the dastardly invasion of Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg by merciless Nazi hordes."

"The crucial time has come. In the name of reason, and of faith in the cause of humanity and of religion, the creed of Nazism must be denounced as the arch enemy of mankind."

INGLORIOUS PASSAGE

"Tanks and bombs, fire and ruthless destruction mark the inglorious passage over the countries which the Nazis dominate and the same blessing await yet other regions which the Nazis may engulf in their declared lust for world domination."

"Awake, or be crushed, by the unleashed forces of evil."

- On Other Pages

CHURCHILL THANKS SHANGHAI

Special to H. K. Daily Press

SHANGHAI, May 22 (Havas)—Reciprocating the wishes extended to him by local British societies upon his assumption of the Premiership, Mr. Winston Churchill wired to Shanghai the following message:

"Thank you for your kind message. Good wishes greatly appreciated—Winston Churchill."

"It is, therefore, premature to make forecasts."

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Success Has Heartening Effect In London

IMPORTANT COUNTER-MOVE BEGUN UNDER WEYGAND

A French official communiqué reveals that Arras, into which the enemy succeeded on Tuesday in pushing his advance elements, is in Allied hands.

The communiqué, according to British Wireless, states, "Enemy pressure continues in the direction of the coast in the form of raids by small motorised detachments. Arras is now in our hands."

"In Lorraine, the enemy have bombarded three towns behind our front. We have retaliated by bombarding three towns behind the enemy front."

News of the French recapture of Arras after hard fighting had a heartening effect in London and considerably lifted the public's spirits, says Reuter.

It was interpreted in some quarters as an indication that the French, under the new and inspiring leadership of General Weygand, have begun an important counter-move.

While it would be wrong to take too optimistic a view of the success and how it was recorded experts consider it may be the first move towards checking the Germans' desperate thrust for the coast through Abbeville.

Announcement of the recapture of Arras led to a slightly firmer stand on the Stock Exchange which earlier had opened unsettled and there was an appreciable recovery in leading gilt-edged stocks.

Woolwich Arsenal Explosion

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—A slight explosion occurred about 1 a.m. G. M. T. in one section of Woolwich Arsenal. It is understood that one man was injured.

The fire brigade quickly subdued the outbreak.

The general output and work has not been seriously interfered with.

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Claim That German Air Supremacy Has Nullified British Sea Power Predominance Conclusively Disproved

LONDON, May 22 (BWS)—A summary of actual results of constant air bombing by the Germans of units of the British Fleet operating off Norway has conclusively disproved the claim, so desperately insisted upon by German propagandists during recent weeks, that aerial attack has a great superiority over naval defences and that German air supremacy has nullified the predominance of British sea power.

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The result was infinitesimal compared both with the claims made by the German High Command and with what might reasonably have been expected.

The losses suffered have already been announced.

INCESSANT ATTACKS

Two destroyers, Afridi and Elson, were sunk while escorting a convoy during incessant attacks by enemy aircraft in an area containing a large concentration of shipping.

The Polish destroyer, Grom, was sunk when engaged in operations off the Norwegian coast. The fleet.

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MINDANAO START OFF WITH FINE WIN

Baseball Season Given Start By American Consul

BY R.O.Y.

The local baseball season got away to an auspicious start last Saturday when Mr. Addison E. Southard, U. S. Consul General braved a discouraging drizzle to pitch the first ball of the matinée in which the Hongkong Brewers and the U. S. S. Mindanao started the most exciting opening game seen for some years.

The attendance was rather disappointing, obviously, because of the threatening weather which, however, did not affect the enthusiasm of those present or the players. Few fans expected the game to go the way it did, especially as the Brewers, after losing the toss, got to work and ran up a commanding lead which they held right up to the final frame.

Far from being disheartened, though, the Mindanao gang showed their teeth and staged a desperate rally that pulled them up from 6-3 down to an odd run victory.

EXPENSIVE ERRORS

According to the scorebook, the losers had the edge in both hitting and fielding. hits were 9-8 in their favour, while they committed only four bobbles to the winners' five.

That the Mindanao boys won can be attributed to two free passes and two, expensive errors, which were conceded by the H. B. aggregation in that crucial last inning rally.

Hero of the day was "Red" Keppler who, besides hurling effectively, won his own ball game by hitting in three of his team's tallies, two of which were the hitting and winning markers.

CHASE'S SURPRISE PACKET

Poochie Chase produced a surprise packet in "Fats" Belke who did a fine job of hindatching which will be missed when both he and Keppler leave the colony during the course of the week. "Red" Todd and "Pig" Padgett both connected for doubles, the latter's effort caroming back to the fielder off the left fence to rob him of what should have been the only home-run of the game. Horseface Douglas gave an impressive showing at the initial sack, while Poochie Chase's piffling of two sacks was a highlight of the game which the official scorer considered worthy of nine exclamation marks!

NOT SO EFFECTIVE

Jesse Arculli, hurling for the Brewers, appears to have lost much of the control, for which he was noted last season, and issued six free passes which were

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 25th May, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21290).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary

Hong Kong, 26th May, 1940.

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Water-Polo Encounter

Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT 12TH R.A. MAY AND BENN SHINE

Displaying better team work and ball control the European Y.M.C.A. easily defeated the 12th Battery, R.A. by four goals to two in a water-polo match in the former's pool last night.

Prominent for the winners were May and Benn who were in consistent form, whilst outstanding for the R.A. was Marsh who time and again broke up many dangerous attacks.

In the early exchanges R.A. were the more aggressive but once the Y.M.C.A. settled down they dominated the game. May opened the scoring for the civilians at close range and shortly afterwards Newman further increased the lead with a similar shot. Before the interval May scored with a fast shot.

NICE SHOT

On resumption of play the R.A. showed better team work but despite many good movements by their forwards, they were unable to decrease the deficit. Newman increased the Y.M.C.A. lead when on receipt of a pass from his back, he managed to beat the opposing goalie with a nice shot.

Undaunted, R.A. rallied to register two goals in succession—one by Faith and the other by Hall.

European Y.M.C.A.: H. Brookeshire; Berry and Hunt; Benn; Newman, May and Karpushoff.

12th Battery R.A.: Green; Marsh and Sheedy; Hall; Faith, McNulty and Glasby.

AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION

Local swimming enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing the Australian Naval Reservists in action at the European Y.M.C.A. tonight at 9 o'clock when a strong representative side will be opposed to the "pick" of the European Y.M.C.A.

Connecting for double-baggers, Shaw and Foley were the Sappers only distance hitters, but a top average went to Radcliffe who garnered two singles in three times up.

CHINESE DISAPPOINTING

The Chinese, on the whole, were disappointing; although their two miscues gave them the best fielding performance of the weekend, their appeared to be a lifeless display, even though they were probably taking things easy. Wally Ching, in the clean-up spot, garnered three bingles which gave him batting honours while extra base hitters were Choy and Bill Chang who connected for doubles and Tuffy Ching who came to light with a rousing triple which landed the apple half-way up on the right field bank.

THREE HURLERS TRIED

Chung Hwa tried out three hurlers, Hank Chang, taking the first four frames, Bill Chang the fifth and sixth, while Wally Ching got on the firing line for the last, none of whom were, however, very impressive. Nip Lum was well, Nip Lum, which means a perfect performance behind the pan and blinding speed on the bases.

Added fun for the fans on Sunday was the exhibition fracas between the U. S. S. Marblehead and a Hongkong squad composed of Wilson, Chase, Douglas Belke, Padgett, Keppler and Mascavage or the Mindanao; Moore, Koslosky, and Peterson of the Tuisa; Dave Leonard of the Hongkong Brewers and "Dutch" Lingenbrink of the now defunct Union Brewers.

FINE FITCHING

Main item of interest in this clash was the lesson in hurling dished up by "Marblehead" star, Sam Grey, who had the locals eating out of his hand, with perfectly controlled slants and benders against which nine hitters went down swinging, and many a one drew anything that resembled a walk.

The final score was 6-1 in the Marblehead's favour and the losers can be considered very fortunate that they averted the paintbrush, for which accomplishment, they have to thank "Pig" Padgett who batted in Wilson running for Douglas, with a slashing single to the right pasture.

As a matter of fact, both squads played heads-up ball, only two errors were chalked up to each, but the "Marblehead" gang played ball of a class, above anything seen on the local diamond.

Local fans will do well to be on hand when this squad makes its next appearance.

SPORTS

TRAINING GALLOPS AT THE VALLEY

The following times were taken during the training gallops at the Race Course yesterday:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Last
Courting Eve	31	1.00	1.26		26
Discovery Bay	35	1.07.1	1.36.1		29
Vicoria	38	1.14	1.42.4		28.4
Lancashire Chips	31.4	1.00.2	1.28.3		28.1
Humber	37.2	1.15.3	1.50	2.22	32
Bredon	29.3	1.01	1.28.3		27.3
Smashing Through	35	1.13.3	1.43.3		30
Jane Doe & Avon	35	1.10	1.42	2.12.1	30.1
Popular Star	38	1.15	1.48		33
Connieber	30.1	55.2	1.27		27.3
Derby Day	33	1.02.2	1.30.3		28.1
Conquering Time	38.2	1.12.1	1.43.2	2.13.1	29.4
Spring Shine	38	1.15.3	1.51.1	2.22.4	31.3
Blue Field	34	1.07	1.37.2		30.2
Surprise Again	36.1	1.05.3	1.43		33.2
Sylvania	41.1	1.21.1	1.54		32.4
Takative	37	1.11.3	1.44.2		26.3
Vixen Tor	34.2	1.06.3	1.33.1		34.1
Victoria	34.3	1.09.3	1.44.2		34.1
Peaceful View	29.3	1.00.1	1.32.1		32
Laughing Girl	35.1	1.10	1.44.2	2.17	32.3
Golden Cow	40.1	1.17.3	1.52.2	2.24.3	33
Tahuna Bay	38	1.14.3	1.49	2.22.3	33.3
Eve of Reason & Many Thanks	33.2	1.06.3	1.38.1	2.09	30.4
Sunlight View	40.2	1.15.1	1.45		29.4
Annabells	35.1	1.05	1.32.2		27.2
Scenic View	38.2	1.17	1.52.2	2.25.2	33
Catterick Bridge & Sea Urchin	27.1	57.1	1.27.4		30.3
Strathcarrie	42	1.11	1.41.3	2.10	28.2
Melody Star	33	1.02.3	1.31.3	2.01	29.2
March Brown	39	1.15.4	1.52.4		37
Jack O'Lantern & Tim	39	1.18	1.54.1	2.26	31.4
Dow Jones	39	1.19	1.58.4	2.34.2	35.3
Nancy Lee	38	1.10.4	1.42	2.12	30
Brown Derby	36.1	1.07.3	1.36		28.2
Night View	34.3	1.07	1.40		32.1
Crifell	40	1.15	1.46.2	2.13.2	27
Pumelo	35	1.06	1.34		28
Violet Queen	37.2	1.08	1.34.2		29.2
Taxing Master	35.3	1.10	1.40.4		30.4
Rose Emily	38.1	1.13.3	1.45.3	2.15.2	29.4
Schmetterling	32	1.05	1.38.1	2.05.4	29.3
Rose Fliana & Ascot Vale	35	1.10.4	1.44.3	2.17	32.2
Salvage Master	40	1.16.2	1.48.4	2.19	30.1
Sea Jay & Vanity Fair	30.1	59	1.27		28
Piccadilly Jim	33.2	1.05.4	1.36	2.03.4	27.4
Gold Coin	36.4	1.10.4	1.43.3		32.4
Maple Star	36.2	1.08.2	1.36.4	2.09	29.1

TENNIS LEAGUE "C" DIVISION

KOWLOON TONG BEAT C.B.A.

In a "C" Division Tennis League match played at King's Park yesterday, Kowloon Tong Garden City Association beat Central British Association by six sets to three.

G. H. Fowler and B. I. Bickford (C.B.A.) beat Edward Lee and L. S. Chan 6-3; beat K. M. Lee and H. F. Kwok 6-3; beat D. Chan and W. Fong 6-0.

N. B. Whitley and S. A. Fowler (C.B.A.) lost to Lee and Chan 1-6; lost to Lee and Kwok 2-6; lost to Chan and Fong 1-6.

D. T. Smith and V. C. Bond (C.B.A.) lost to Lee and Chan 4-6; lost to Lee and Kwok 1-6; lost to Chan and Fong 2-6.

RECREIO "B" WIN

On the home courts, Club de Recreio "B" beat the Jewish Recreation Club by nine sets to nil. The J.R.C. conceded three walk-overs.

J. Fonseca and R. M. Soares (Recreio "B") beat Pollak and Talan 6-3; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-1.

L. G. Gossano and P. M. Rosario (Recreio "B") beat Pollak and Talan 6-3; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-2.

A. M. Alves and J. A. Soares (Recreio "B") beat Pollak and Talan 6-2; beat Joseph and Citrin 6-0.

MATCH POSTPONED

The match between Police R.C. and Kowloon Cricket Club was postponed.

U.S. Baseball Results

NEW YORK, May 22 (Reuter)—

Boston Red Sox consolidated their position at the head of the American Baseball League table yesterday with a victory over the Detroit Tigers by 11-8.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

R. H. E. Boston 11 11 0
Detroit 8 16 1

New York 10 12 1
Cleveland 2 3 2

Washington 8 11 2
Chicago 9 15 1

The Philadelphia-St. Louis match was postponed on account of rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago 3 12 0
Brooklyn 4 6 1

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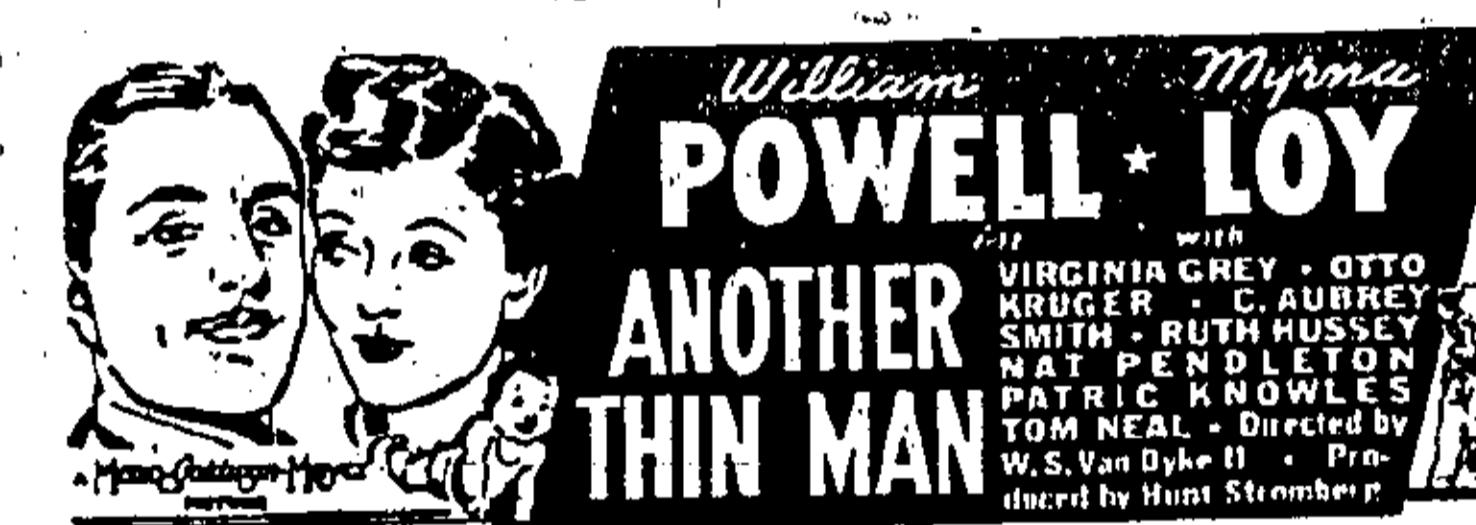
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GENERAL

COMING EVENTS

23—Tides: High 9:58 a.m.; Low 3:11 a.m. and 8:03 p.m.
Sunrise: 5:39 a.m.; Sunset: 4:51 p.m.
Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Claims against estate of Dame Mary Ann Ackroyd due.
Colony Chess Championship, 10 a.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.
Compulsory Service Tribunal, 4:15 p.m.
Cheer Club Bridge and Mahjong.
Ladies' Bible Study, 216, Nathan Road, 10:30 a.m.
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2:30 p.m.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tennis Mtg., St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.
Theosophical Society Mtg., 6 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. A. Lebedoff "Where Life Begins."

Northumberland and Durham Society, Committee Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 6:15 p.m.

Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3:30 p.m.

Union Church Working Party, 2:30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Working Party, 3 p.m.

24—Tides: High 12 midnight and 10:31 a.m. Low 3:55 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.
Sunrise: 5:38 a.m.; Sunset: 7 p.m.
EMPIRE DAY—Public Holiday.
K.C.C. to present "Orders Are Orders" 9:15 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Business Girls' Swimming 5:30 p.m.; Mixed Swimming 6:30 p.m.; Badminton 6 p.m.

Cheer Club: Darts, Table-Tennis & Billiards.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
Service for young people, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 9 a.m.
Helena May Christian Fellowship, 10:30 a.m.

25—Tides: High 12:50 a.m. and 11:08 a.m.; Low 4:29 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Sunrise: 5:38 a.m.; Sunset: 7 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Swimming Gala, 9 p.m.

K.C.C. to present "Orders Are Orders" 9:15 p.m.

H.K. Jockey Club's Sixth Extra Race Meeting, 2 p.m.

Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.

H.K. Police Res. Chinese Company dinner dance, Pen Hotel, 8 p.m.

26—Wah Yan Past Students' Assn. Sports Meeting.

27—China Emporium, Ltd. Annual Meeting and third drawing for debts.

Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.

28—Sino-American Inst. of Cultural Relations, Annual Meeting, Chinese Merchants' Club, 5:30 p.m.

Wm. Powell, Ltd. Annual Meeting, 6 Dux Vouz Rd., 12:15 p.m.
Exhibition of Paintings at Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.

29—Choral Group to present "Cavalleria Rusticana" at King's Theatre.

H.K. Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, Annual Meeting, Cathedral Hall, 5:15 p.m.

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Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, 12 noon.

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Mascagni Opera To Be Presented Next Week

Several New Singers In "Cavalleria Rusticana"

SEVERAL NEW SINGERS WILL BE INTRODUCED to the music-loving public of the Colony next week when the Choral Group presents "Cavalleria Rusticana," the opera by Pietro Mascagni, at the King's Theatre.

MISS CHAN MEI-LAN, who sings the principal part of Santuzza in the work, is a dramatic soprano of rare quality who has already made a name for herself through recordings of Chinese songs. She took a minor part in the Perosi oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ," which the Choral Group successfully performed in February.

Miss Carmen Silva and Mrs. Gertrude Goddard, who are singing the parts of Lola and Mother Lucia respectively, also sang in the oratorio, but are making their bow for the first time as principals in the opera.

The leading masculine roles will be taken by Mr. Gaston D'Aquino, as Turiddu, and Mr. Alec Greaves, as Alfio. The former, as the Narrator, and the latter, as the Saviour, gave memorable performances in "The Resurrection."

Mr. D'Aquino is well known as one of the mainstays of musical life in the Colony.

Mr. Greaves, who formerly took in many concerts and broadcasts, parts, made his reappearance in public this year after a considerable absence from singing.

The chorus comprises 40 voices, while the orchestra is composed of more than 30 instruments.

The opera is produced and conducted by Prof. Elsio Gualdi. Mr. Carlo Mose is responsible for the settings and Miss Carmen Silva for the costumes.

BALLET SUITE.

The programme will be further enriched by a Ballet Suite arranged by George Goncharoff, with music by Pechinelli and Gilere. The Suite is in four parts and several of Mr. Goncharoff's best pupils are taking part, including the Misses Peggy Scotcher, Lara Tzar, Ann Mansfield, Hermione To, Dorothy Craig, Zina Mansell, Betty Lee, and Clement.

In addition, the orchestra will render the overture from "Nabucco" by Giuseppe Verdi.

Two performances under the distinguished patronage of Sir Geoffrey and Lady Northcote and His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. N. L. Smith, will be given, namely, on Wednesday and Thursday, May 29 and 30, at 9.30 p.m.

Booking is now open at the theatre. Tickets are priced, at \$10, \$5, \$3, and \$2, and the net proceeds are in aid of the following charities:—the Hongkong Food Kitchen, the Foreign Auxiliary of the Chinese Red Cross, the Boys' and Girls' Clubs, the Agricultural School for Refugee Students, the Chungshan Relief Fund and the New St. Stephen's Church Fund.

SOLUTION No. 612
ACROSS: 2, Fables; 7, Vole; 8, Alms; 9, Reports; 10, Dean; 12, Hunt; 15, Tyros; 18, Cloth; 19, Horse; 20, Range; 21, Ekle; 22, Raced; 23, Elope; 26, Stev; 29, Stay; 31, Intense; 32, Will; 33, Numb; 34, Derwent.
DOWN: 1, Tome; 2, Fern; 3, Imply; 4, Largo; 5, Sash; 6, Burn; 10, Duchess; 11, Aconite; 13, Utrecht; 14, Tuesday; 15, Three; 16, Rondo; 17, Shere; 24, Later; 25, Pence; 27, Tall; 28, Wild; 29, Sent; 30, Arms.

CROSSWORD NO. 613

ACROSS
1. Part of Ham
4. Chessman
7. Passage
9. Lump of earth
10. Desire
11. 32 here
13. It amuses baby
14. Emphatically, yes!
15. Its sweet
17. One of the
24 across
19. Shape
20. Bird
22. Weapons
23. Turn-out
24. Musical plays
25. Fur
DOWN
1. Tradesman
2. State of
mind
3. House wife's tool
4. Wrath
5. Killed
6. Book
7. Engine platform
8. Bad dream
11. Demand
12. Dish
15. Arctic dweller
16. The tradesmen's
17. Sentence
18. Snuggle
21. Always
22. Scrap

SOLUTION TOMORROW

Parachutists Landed In Great Numbers

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—Parachute troops, armed with incendiary equipment and explosives appear to have taken a leading part in a strong German attack launched north of the Somme late yesterday afternoon and during the night, according to reports received here.

They made immediately for road junctions, stations and bridges as well as for public buildings.

It is pointed out that such troops, dropped in large numbers as was the case on Monday night, may create a serious situation. However they cannot carry out thorough occupation without the help of considerable ground forces, especially infantry.

Monday night's attack seems to have been aimed rather at weakening the Allied resistance than in obtaining an immediate decisive result.

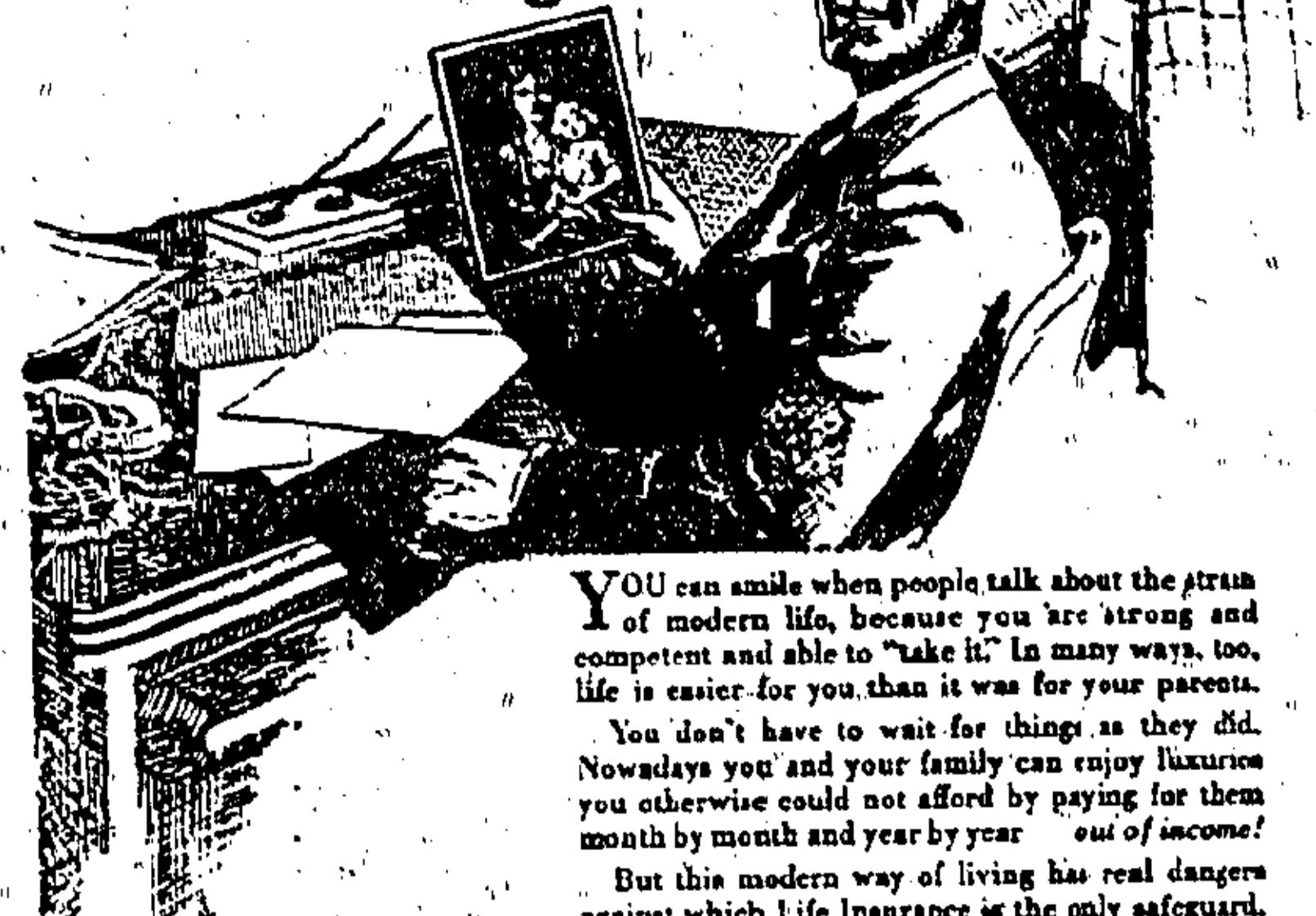
The ground part of the attack was led by motor cyclists and light armoured units boldly launched westward.

DUKE IN AIR RAID

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—It is learned that the Duke of Gloucester was for three successive nights in areas which were heavily bombed and he is suffering from scratches by bomb splinters and both his hands are badly bruised.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited Mansion House on Tuesday to hear the progress of the Red Fund and stayed to tea with the Lord Mayor.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING.

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board.
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General Managers,
Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 27th day of May, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one lot of Crown Land at Shamshui Po, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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HONGKONG, MAY 23, 1940.

The Colony's Trade

THE CHAIRMAN of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce touched on several interesting aspects of the Colony's trade position during 1939. His review was, perhaps, less comprehensive than it has been in past years, but it nevertheless presented clearly the manner in which Hongkong's economic position is being maintained in the face of difficulties which began with the hostilities between China and Japan and which have now been increased by the conflict in Europe. The several Committees appointed by the Chamber to advise the Government on the problems confronting the trading circles in Hongkong have undoubtedly been very active and instances of this during the past year have not been wanting when any special hardship appeared to have been created by new legislation which was introduced owing to war requirements.

THE CHAMBER'S intervention particularly in relation to the order limiting imports of motor vehicles and radio sets, except under special licence, has been greatly welcomed in trading circles. As conditions stand today, there is no doubt that the Colony's entrepot trade must be left unhampered and unrestricted as far as possible. The order which sought to limit purchases of these two classes of goods from non-sterling countries would eventually have defeated one of the most important aims of the Allies in trying to increase their trade with neutral countries at this time and, as the Chairman pointed out, would have seriously disrupted the import and retail trade of Hongkong. The Chamber's representations, however, only appear to have met with partial success in that goods already on their way to importers here will not be affected by the new order. The position is one that must, therefore, be still considered unsatisfactory from the importers' point of view and those in the trade, particularly for radio apparatus, must depend on the Chamber's good offices being carried further to bring the matter before the attention of the Government again.

THE CHAIRMAN also referred to the Colony's trade with South China and the disappointment felt over the fact that the Pearl River still remained closed. No one is, of course, surprised that promises made by the Japanese military authorities to reopen this important channel of trade have not been kept. It is only consistent with their policy of procrastination and prevarication which they have pursued in their dealings with third powers who have interests in China. In the meanwhile, however, British trade interests in Canton are being heavily handicapped and Hongkong's position as an emporium for South China's trade is being jeopardised. The situation as regards the Pearl River closure is aggravated by the fact that while Japanese trade is being permitted to use the river freely, discrimination is made, on the pretext that the military situation warrants it, against the movement of trade of third powers. This is another matter which the Chamber should take up strongly in asking the local

THEFT ABOARD A BUS

UNEMPLOYED IS FOUND GUILTY

For picking the pocket of a woman, named Kwok Mui and larceny from her person of a gold finger ring on board an Aberdeen bus, Wang Ho-shum, a young man who described himself as an unemployed travelling trader, was sentenced to a year's hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. The jury was:—Messrs. A. S. McKay, Lam Kwok-ning, G. S. L. Angeles, Tse Koon-keung, Cheng Chink-wing, O. Rum-jahn and Sat Ko-kau.

Mr. Reynolds said that near the Queen Mary Hospital, Kwok found that she had lost the ring.

Set McVey, found a razor blade three receipts and a small tin box near where defendant was sitting by the roadside, but the ring was not found. Defendant was X-rayed at the Queen Mary Hospital to ascertain if he had swallowed the ring, but there was no result.

Defendant, in the witness-box, denied that he was on board the bus.

ARMED ROBBERS GAOLED

Lo Yau and Yan Kwal-chiu, who pleaded guilty to a charge of committing an armed robbery at No. 15 Kilkung Street, second floor, were each sentenced to three years' hard labour by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Sun Kun, who pleaded guilty to receiving stolen property, was sentenced to two years.

Fourth accused, Ya Sau, a goldsmith, who was also charged with receiving stolen property, was found not guilty by the jury and discharged.

Jewellery and property amounting to \$2,136 was stolen during the robbery, which occurred on April 19.

NO PROPER LICENCE

Mak Hung was fined \$32 when he appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of possession of a radio set without an appropriate licence.

It was stated that a licence becomes invalid if the owner changes his address without notification to the licensing authorities to that effect.

On a charge of robbery with violence at King's Park on May 6, four unemployed Chinese, Kam Chun, 25, Chan Wal, 25, Lo Chu-luen, 19, and Lam Yuk, 19, were committed by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions. It is alleged that defendant robbed a woman named Lau Lai-kwan of a purse containing \$8 in money and a gold finger ring.

GERMAN CAMERA CONFISCATED

An order of confiscation of new German-made camera was granted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on the application of Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmitt.

It was stated that when a ship arrived from Shanghai on Monday a man, Ho Yiu, came off with a parcel which contained the camera.

Mr. Grimmitt stated that he could appeal to the Governor-in-Council regarding the camera if he so desired.

administration to request the home Government to protest against this attitude of the Japanese Government.

AS FAR AS the rest of the Chairman's review was concerned, what he had to say about the Colony's trade position was certainly not discouraging. Hongkong had quickly adjusted itself to war conditions, but freedom for entrepot trade was unfortunately being maintained by placing the Colony outside the sterling bloc. The difficulties which threatened to follow this decision had been relieved to some extent through the Imperial Preference regulations. Internal trade, however, showed signs of improvement, and the Chairman emphasised the need for fostering local manufacturers if Hongkong is to successfully face the future.

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EDITORIAL

MOTOR CRASH IN WANCHAI



According to a Police report Tang Po, of No. 109, Sai Yee Street, was driving car No. 1326 along Queen's Road-East about 2 p.m. yesterday. Near the Naval Yard he swerved to avoid a pedestrian and in so doing ran into a tram stand, slightly damaging it. The havoc wrought to the car, as may be seen from the above picture, was considerable.

GERMAN AIRCRAFT

NEWSSETTES

The annual meeting of the Diocesan Old Boys' Association will be held today at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. J. A. Retchie of Messrs. Palmer and Turner left Hongkong for Canton on Tuesday.

A group of Kowloon artists will give an exhibition in St. Andrew's Hall tomorrow and on Saturday.

Mr. H. Nolasco, the Macao lawyer, arrived in the Colony yesterday on a short visit.

Mr. A. Lebedeff will address the Theosophical Society today at 6 p.m. on "Where Life Begins."

Mr. G. T. Palmer, Engineering Department, Relia, Bradley and Co. Ltd., left the Colony for Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. J. M. X. Chollet, manager, International Savings Society of Canton, who was in the Colony, left Hongkong on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Ellis, wife of Mr. J. C. Ellis, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Shanghai, arrived in Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. J. H. Warning, of the Java-China-Japan Lijn, Batavia, who was in Hongkong, left the Colony yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Warning.

A 29-year-old married woman, Liu Chan, was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital on Monday after a fall from the roof of No. 118, Jaffe Road.

Miss A. Lam, of No. 28, Bowring Street, has reported to the police that while walking in Pokfulam Road about 10.50 a.m. on Tuesday a Chinese had attempted to snatch away her handbag. He ran off when she raised an alarm.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, the Chinese Amateur Dramatic Club will present the Chinese Operetta "The Romance of the Mighty Amazon" in ancient period costume, at the Taiping Theatre on June 1 and 2. The proceeds from the Operetta will be devoted to relief funds.

Mr. Luis Chan, who is holding his 5th One-Man Exhibition at St. John's Cathedral Hall on Saturday, has received a letter from Messrs. Doubleday, Doran & Co. Inc., of New York, requesting him to send them his manuscript with a view to their considering its publication in New York. The book concerned is entitled "Chinese Art Throughout the Ages" which Mr. Chan took over a year to write, and is now being sent to the prospective publishers.

When the 1,000-H.P. motor was perfected, the original Messerschmidt had to be modified, with the result that it is today over-engined, not very manoeuvrable and liable to "wing flutter." Britain's Spitfires and Hurricanes are not subject to these drawbacks.

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RENAUD

Premier's Tribute To The R.A.F. Greeted With Loud Applause

BETTER TROOPS SENT TO BELGIUM

PARIS, MAY 22 (REUTER)—"FRANCE AND ENGLAND CANNOT BE BEATEN; THEY CAN NOT DIE," SAID M. RENAUD, ADDRESSING THE SENATE. "IF PEOPLE SAY TO ME THAT A MIRACLE IS NEEDED TO SAVE FRANCE, I WOULD SAY I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES. I BELIEVE IN FRANCE. SINCE THIS MORNING ARRAS AND AMIENS HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED BY THE GERMANS," HE SAID.

Referring to the collaboration between himself, Marshal Pétain and General Weygand, M. Reynaud said "we must have confidence in our great leader, our soldiers, our airmen. The country is in danger and I shall tell Senate and the nation the truth."

"French divisions are not numerous on the Meuse. The better troops have been sent to Belgium. By reason of inexcusable mistakes which shall be punished, the bridges over the Meuse were not blown up."

M. Reynaud spoke with great frankness regarding the serious position in which France and the Allies find themselves. The Premier was supported by his Cabinet, including Marshal Pétain, M. Daladier and M. Chautemps.

"DISORGANISATION" OF ARMY

After declaring that Arras and Amiens were in the hands of the Germans, M. Reynaud said "Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg having been invaded, the enemy unleashed a formidable attack upon the French army in Sedan. Our divisions were not numerous on the Meuse which was defended by troops under General Corap. The infiltration of the Meuse is easy for mobile troops."

The Premier then spoke of the "disorganisation" of the Army under General Corap. When he mentioned the name of Marshal Pétain, however, the Senators called out "at last" and rising from their seats, applauded the victor of Verdun.

"Having made a breach, the enemy's motorised divisions went through. The German advance has continued and since yesterday morning Arras and Amiens have been occupied."

BACK TO SERVICE AGAIN
Our traditional conception of how war is waged has been thrown down for a new one—motorised raids in depth and parachutes."

M. Reynaud then reminded the House of 1914. "We ended by gaining the upper hand after our first reverses. Every man and every woman must understand the greatness of the hour in which we are living. May certain people not understand it until it is too late."

"Two men, who had the right to rest on their laurels, have

placed themselves at the service of the country—General Weygand and Marshal Pétain.

"General Weygand is Marshal Foch's man who stopped the German Army in 1918. He is today on the battlefield. Between Marshal Pétain, General Weygand and I, there is an absolute understanding. No weakness will be tolerated."

"There will be no more dilatory procedure with regard to traitors, saboteurs and cowards. I have told you the truth. Let us have confidence in our great leader and in our soldiers. Our aviators are covering themselves with glory."

"I thank the Royal Air Force (here the Senators stood up and cheered loudly). These two great people and two great Empires cannot be beaten. They cannot die."

NEW CONCEPTION

After his reference to the loss of Arras and Amiens M. Reynaud asked, "How have we got to this point? Is the moral value of our Army in doubt? Not at all."

The fighting which occurred in



SOMME LINE HELD

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It appears that small German detachments infiltrated into the region but have not yet been followed by heavy armoured elements.

Small groups of motor-cyclists, armed with machine-guns, have been traversing the roads, attacking communication centres with more or less success.

The retaking of Arras by the French within 24 hours of its capture by the enemy well illustrates the extreme mobility of the fighting in northern France. French troops are close to Amiens, if not actually in the town, where it seems probable the German occupation is only light.

In the eastern region there were no new German attempts to cross the Aisne and the enemy attacks at Montmedy had ceased completely.

The heavy artillery action in the northern end of the Maginot Line, which had previously continued for three or four days, had also died down.

JUMPED INTO SOMME

A German motor-cycle attack was reported on the station of Abbeville. The station-master had just sent off the last train and was chatting with the police inspector when the attack occurred. The couple jumped into the Somme in an attempt to escape but the Germans machine-gunned them and killed the station-master. The police inspector escaped and warned the military authorities.

CASUALTY LIST NO. 4

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—A total of 724 names—96 officers and 628 other ranks, appear in the War Office Casualty List No. 4. The largest number, under various classifications, appear under the heading "Died," namely 41 officers and 525 men. The list includes five women who died on active service.

Main Battle Not Yet Out: Air Force Now Doing Heavy Work

PARIS, May 22 (Havas)—Official announcement of German occupation of Arras and Amiens, and acceptance of the possibility that one of their mechanised detachments has reached the mouth of the Somme, at Abbeville on the coast, revealed last night how grimly the situation is still developing.

It is stressed, however, that the dramatic German "advance" must not be misunderstood. The occupation was carried out by the motorised forces and parachute troops only, and the main dispositions are unaffected.

Measures are already being taken to deal with the infiltration.

It is officially and categorically denied in Paris that either General Giraud or his staff have been taken prisoner by the Germans.

The Germans claim, to have taken them prisoner when capturing Abbeville.

ONLY LIGHT COLUMNS

On Tuesday, the Germans sent light columns and parachute troops far to the west of France, and it is possible that some may have reached this district.

But it is pointed out in Paris that sweeping German claims covering the whole of northern France form part of the "Propaganda Offensive" which is launched side by side with the "Military Offensive."

Except for the heavy fighting around the "bulge," particularly in the Cambrai-Somme sector, it is impossible to deal fully with any fighting zone as such. The Germans make thrusts towards certain towns, often only with motor-cyclists.

ALL ATTACKS REPULSED

They then announce over the radio that they have taken these towns.

In the Sedan area, all attacks have been repulsed. The same applies to Rethel.

These are all "local engagements," and it is stressed in Paris that the main battle between the

SPEEDING UP DEFENCES

WASHINGTON, May 22 (REUTER)—All the United States Navy establishments have been ordered to speed up defence preparations by working additional shifts and by increasing civilian shipbuilding forces, by at least fifteen thousand within three months.

Sixty-six warships, including eight battleships, are at present under construction or projected.

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—

Latest reports reaching London show that the B.E.F. is fighting well on the positions assigned to it, and is in good heart. To the south of the British front, the situation is still obscure, but German claims in this area are known to be based on limits reached by small mechanised detachments.

CABLES

DOG FIGHT OVER CHUNGKING

A fierce dog fight took place above Chungking on Tuesday night between a Japanese squadron, of about 30 planes, and a number of Chinese pursuits. The enemy raiders were driven off with heavy damage.

An unconfirmed report states that one of the Japanese planes crashed in the vicinity of Changshu, where a search for the wrecked machine is proceeding.

Several missiles dumped by the raiders on the outskirts of the city caused little damage.

Rome Incident Regarded As Closed

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—The recent incident in Rome in which British officials were involved was recalled during question time in the House of Commons today, when Col. H. W. Burton asked for a Government statement relative to the interference of members of the Staff of the British Embassy in Rome.

The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, said that the incident had been satisfactorily disposed of between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and the British Ambassador, Sir Percy Loraine, and was regarded as closed.

ITALY TO BE IN WAR?

ROME, May 22 (REUTER)—The cumulative effect of the "now or never" propaganda is preparing the man in the street for what many regard as the inevitable decision—for many now believe that Italy's entry into the war is only a question of days.

The war atmosphere has been heightened by increased air activity in all the principal centres.

Troops in field kit were marching through Rome yesterday.

ANTI-NAZIISM IN INDIA

ALLAHABAD, May 22 (REUTER)—Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, former President of the Indian National Congress, stated in an interview that at a private meeting of the United Provinces Congress Committee on Sunday, he opposed those who wanted to start civil disobedience immediately because of the developments in Europe.

The Pandit said the war situation was distressing him because he did not wish to see Nazi domination of Europe. Nevertheless India's attitude was not determined by the war situation but by Britain's attitude to India and her refusal to recognise her independence.

Mahatma Gandhi had said, continued Mr. Nehru, that the present suspense could not long continue. Events were forcing the pace, but to time India's actions chiefly because of England's policy was wrong and against India's policy of truth.

DOCKS BOMBED

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forces which are pressed together there.

Attempts by the enemy to break through at Artois, via Arras, and further west, towards the south, were repulsed.

The communiqué claims 1,600 French and 13,000 Dutch were taken prisoners during the fighting in Zealand on May 19.

FORTS TAKEN

The Neuf Chateau forts at Liege were taken and 12 officers and 500 men were captured.

The communiqué declares "On the night of May 22 enemy planes bombed western Germany at random. Most of the bombs were dropped in the open country and military objectives were not hit."

It added that the fighting at Narvik continues against far superior enemy forces.

NOT MUCH COAL

PARIS, May 22 (REUTER)—It is learned that Germany not getting much coal from Belgian mines before the evacuation of the country.

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—The Admiralty announces that the minelayer Princess Victoria (Captain J. B. E. Hall) has been sunk by an enemy mine. The commanding officer, two officers and 31 ratings are missing and it is feared they have lost their lives.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM, STILL LESS PANIC

Each One Of Us Must Play Our Part In The War

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, in a broadcast last night declared that the news is grave, but there is no cause for serious alarm, still less for panic.

By the successful employment of a new technique, small bodies of the German army have succeeded in penetrating a great distance. But they are small bodies, and the army of Britain and the far greater army of France are still there. They are neither in retreat, nor have they suffered heavy loss.

It is impossible to understand what is happening while the battle is still in progress. We hear that one vantage point has been gained, another lost, another regained; and out of these scraps of news imagination is inclined to build vast structures of conjecture.

"Three facts alone can be definitely stated. Firstly, the present objective of the enemy is the Channel ports, from where he hopes to launch war upon this island.

ARMIES NOT DEFEATED

"Secondly, small parts of his mechanised troops have succeeded in eluding their opponents, in advancing great distances, and coming near to their objective.

"Thirdly, the armies of England and France are undefeated.

"In enormously superior numbers they occupy the battlefield and the counter-attack, when it comes, should prove formidable.

"The swaying fortunes of the fight matter little. It is the end of the battle that counts, and, as I told you last week-end, the end of this battle, whatever it may be, cannot entail the defeat of Great Britain and France in war.

HISTORY REPEATED

"Meanwhile it is the old story which has been told over again and again, and which nevertheless always comes as a surprise to everyone. The sudden advance, the unexpected weight of the attack, the initial gains, are far greater than were expected—it is the story of August, 1914 and March, 1918, and let us hope it will find the same ending.

"Meanwhile, it is for each one of us to play our part. The battle is being brought close to our shores, so that each and everyone of us is taking part in it. Therefore we are all soldiers, and as such must acquit ourselves.

DANGEROUS BUMOURS

The first quality of a soldier is courage, a quality in which I am confident we shall not be found lacking.

"Let me repeat to you a warning against the cancer of rumour. I have experienced a good example of it myself this afternoon.

"I was told by a perfectly reliable and truthful reporter that the Premier of France had said that nothing but a miracle could save his country. I could hardly believe so stalwart a fighter as M. Reynaud had said anything of the sort, but I am afraid I repeated to several people what I had been told, and it was not until I came to read the actual account that I found he had said something quite different.

SUPREME CONFIDENCE

"His message was one of supreme confidence; he firmly announced his faith that nothing could defeat the united forces of the French Republic and the British Empire, and he added that if tomorrow, or at some future date any faint-hearted person were to come to him and say that nothing but a miracle could save France, he would feel confident that the miracle would be performed because he had faith in the salvation of France.

"I think these grave events will act. Indeed they have already acted as a tonic to the nation. I find wherever I go a calm spirit of inflexible determination.

"ALL WERE FOR STATE"

"The House of Commons this afternoon was a very different assembly from what it was before Whitlam. It reminded me of the words of Macaulay: "Then none was for a party, and all were for the state." Our old party differences, which have often been so bitter in the past, and may be so in the future, had been laid aside as playthings for which we had no longer any use.

"Something of so much greater importance had taken their place. There was only one sentiment in the mind of all—a United Commons, united as perhaps it had never been for the danger is so great and so close.

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AT CHINA EMPORIUM

THEIR CARS WERE NEEDED BACK

LONDON, May 22 (REUTER)—British war correspondents who had been with the B.E.F. in France returned to England last night with a number of Americans and journalists of other nationalities.

Among the reasons for their return is that the cars used for their transport are now required for more urgent matters.

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R.A.F.

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—German troops moving over the battlefield of Arras, Bapaume, St. Quentin and Cambrai were subjected to repeated attacks by R.A.F. aircraft throughout the night, states the Air Ministry news service. Tanks, armoured cars, troop transports and other reinforcements were vigorously attacked.

A section of Blenheim bombers located and attacked a mile-long procession of motor transport.

One aircraft, becoming aware of movement of troops in the Mourton Forest, dropped a number of bombs and within a few minutes a raging fire spread over a wide area.

Near Lecateau a convoy of heavy lorries was bombed at the head and in the centre and the scene of disorder was added to by sweeping the convoy with machine-gun fire. Outside Lecateau two hits were made on a train.

MEN FROM THE
COLONIES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, asked whether they would consider supplementing British manpower by recruiting coloured fighting men from the Colonies and Protectorates, and as to how far they could be equipped and trained in each Colony before being sent to France, Mr. Anthony Eden said, "The voluntary enlistment of men from the Colonies and protectorates has been proceeding, and it is expected that the majority will, for the present be required for military duties for those territories, thus discharging an important function which would otherwise have to be performed by British troops. Men are receiving training and equipment locally."

COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT
AND WELFARE

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister of Health and former Colonial Secretary, moved the second reading of the Bill authorising the expenditure of £1,000,000 a year for ten years for Colonial development and welfare and £500,000 a year on Colonial research, as well as remitting the loans amounting to over £1,000,000 from the United Kingdom to the Colonies.

He said it was characteristic that while every source of our energy was being thrown in to the tasks of disconcerting, defeating and destroying the enemy, yet the House found time to turn and offer substantial and generous encouragement to Colonial development.

SIGN OF VICTORY

Continuing, Mr. MacDonald said: "At this critical hour, the world will make the passage of this Bill through British Parliament as a sign of ultimate victory. This nation will pass triumphantly through its present ordeal, however hard, grim and desperate the struggle may be, and when the enemy is worsted and the war finished, Britain will still exercise vast responsibilities for the government of Colonial peoples."

In the meantime we must not default upon our Colonial obligations. We must not let slip the experienced skill of our guiding hand; we must even now have constant care to protect and promote the well-being of our fellow-subjects in the Empire overseas.

ANXIETIES SHARED

In these sombre days, our anxieties and hopes are fully shared by the peoples of the Colonies. It seems to me that one of the most notable assurances that our cause is just, is the fact that these distressed peoples, alien to us in race, who are ruled by us, sprang instantly and spontaneously to our side at the moment of the declaration of war.

The object was that the Colonies should become, as far as possible, self-supporting units.

NAZI DRIVE
CONTINUESGERMAN COMMAND
MAKE CLAIMS

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Nazi drive towards the Channel ports is still being pressed energetically to the northwest. The German High Command on Tuesday put out claims which are not substantiated in London or Paris.

The Germans, for instance, claimed to have taken Arras, Amiens and Abbeville (which is on the coast at the mouth of the Somme). Information available in London shows that these claims are exaggerated.

Arras, for instance, is in the British sector and it is known for certain that it is not in German hands. The other claims have probably the same basis as the earlier German communiques.

NO SUPPORT FOR ADVANCE
COLUMNS

The Germans have pushed ahead with armoured columns in attempts to take advance positions on bridges, roads and communications. These small columns often go far ahead of the main body without support of any sort and it may be something like this which form the basis of the German claims in the northern district of France.

Tuesday's 3 a.m. communiqué has further confirmed that British troops are holding firmly their assigned positions and all attacks in the past 24 hours have been repulsed.

JUST AS BLACK IN
1918 BUT WE WON

OTTAWA, May 22 (Reuter)—Addressing the House of Commons yesterday, the Canadian Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King asked the members to remember that "in this, probably one of the darkest hours in the history of our Empire, that the outlook was similarly black in 1918, but the British and French troops rallied and won."

Mr. Mackenzie King declared that the situation of France was more serious.

He briefly reviewed the position from the communiques received and declared that the British and French were working in close co-operation, their moral unbroken.

He added: "The gravity of the news precludes the need for any general statement of policy or programme since the situation is changing every hour — every minute."

GENERAL

Pres. Roosevelt Denounces
German Barbarism

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter)—At a Press conference yesterday, President Roosevelt said that enemy planes were sweeping down the roads of France with machine-guns wide open, taking a death toll of refugees, the like of which has never been seen before, and he thought the United States would realise the implications of that method of warfare.

The President enunciated a three-point policy in connection with the general discussion of the defence programme:

Firstly, not a single war millionaire as a result of war disaster;

Secondly, labour should not see to take advantage of the current emergency situation;

Thirdly, Government proposed in no way to weaken the social gains made in the past two years.

Referring to the word "implication" President Roosevelt did not reveal what he thought the implication should be, but remarked that the United States was pretty well united in the current situation and the faster news came from Europe the more united the American people became.

DEEP IMPRESSION

President Roosevelt added that 5,000,000 women and children were fleeing southward in France along a 200-mile front, using every available road. They were mostly on foot or in carts, with the enemy planes gunning them.

President Roosevelt made the deepest impression even on the hardboiled pressmen with his quiet, but obviously heartfelt denunciation of German machine-gunning of fleeing French women, children and old men.

ALL HELP TO
THE ALLIES

WASHINGTON, May 22 (Reuter)—When Senate began its debate on the Army Supply Bill yesterday Mr. Claude Pepper, one of the Democrat members for Florida, declared that the next few days of the European War may mark the turning point of civilization.

He submitted a resolution permitting President Roosevelt to sell to the Allies for cash any war planes now in possession of the United States Army and Navy.

BACK ON AN
URGENT CALL

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Major-General the Duke of Gloucester arrived in London on Tuesday night from France on urgent duty.

He visited the War Office early yesterday morning.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands also arrived from France on Tuesday evening.

CHINESE CLEANING-UP
CAMPAIGN IN SINYANG

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—Chinese forces are continuing their cleaning-up operations around Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan, which is reported to have been recaptured by the Chinese last Saturday.

Since Sunday, close-quarter combats have been raging between the Chinese and small Japanese remnant units. The Chinese have concentrated their fire on Kuchiao where the Japanese have entrenched themselves.

NATION ANSWERS
CALL FOR MORE
EFFORT

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The call of Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, to the nation to put its last ounce of strength into the production of arms and the nation's response has formed the theme of many editorials yesterday in the British press.

In the past few days, says the "News Chronicle," there has been an upward surge of determination.

Everyone feels that the new government is getting right down to the job of fighting the war with the last ounce of strength.

24-HOUR DAY

The will to win is striking. Workers believe that they will get a fair deal. There has never been such solidarity as in Britain today.

The Labour "Daily Herald" says that the Cabinet will hear the views of its Labour members and the Labour M.P.'s must interpret this to the nation.

The "Daily Mail" calls for a 24-hour day for war industries. One shift system in armament factories must be abolished.

The vested interests of capital or labour must not be allowed to hamper the war effort in the rapidly approaching situation in which the whole life of the country may have to be conscripted.

The "Manchester Guardian" says the most serious inadequacy has been the mobilisation of man power.

Mr. Bevin, the new Labour Minister, can do much to secure the co-operation of the Unions and to hasten the co-ordination of all branches of national service.

In Shansi province, over 3,000 casualties are estimated to have been sustained by the Japanese in their recent unsuccessful drive in the recent unsuccessful drive toward Sianyang, southeast of Kihsiien. Sianyang has been recaptured by the Chinese.

Further progress has been made by the Chinese in their offensive on Yangchung, Japanese stronghold west of Tsinchung in southeast Shansi. Japanese units from Kianghsien and Kuwo attempting to relieve the Chinese pressure by attacking Tsinchung.

Chingfeng-tsun and other nearby points are being engaged by crack Chinese units.

Following a long lull, fighting has again broken out in the vicinity of Tsinling, terminus of a loop line of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway from Tsinling, west Shantung. Four thousand Japanese with the support of tank and armoured car units attacked the Chinese positions, but were thrown back with losses.

ENEMY LOSES
308 PLANES

PARIS, May 22 (Reuter)—A communiqué states that in the region north of the Somme the enemy is continuing his pressure in pushing his advance elements as far as Amiens and Arras. On the rest of the front the situation is unchanged despite local efforts by the enemy.

Intense activity by our reconnaissance aircraft and bombing formations who, with the collaboration of Naval bombing units, ceaselessly harassed the enemy troops on the ground.

The minimum number of enemy planes shot down by French, aircraft, and anti-aircraft defence alone between May 9 and May 19 is now known to be 308.

Question On
Situation
In China

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Robert Gibson asked the Government to make a statement regarding the political situation in China.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said there had been no recent change of importance. Some fighting, in which both sides claimed successes, had taken place in Central China.

He understood that there had been no interruptions of missionary activities in the province of Shensi. Any steps to afford alternative medical and educational facilities provided by the missionary bodies in Shensi and other Japanese-occupied areas were supplementary to, and were in no way intended to replace those provided by the State.

GREAT VICTORY CLAIM

Mr. Butler added that a number of hospitals were recently reopened and that it was hoped that further progressive improvements would occur.

Mr. J. J. Davidson, of the Opposition, asked if British policy was regarding this matter as one of complete neutrality, and if so, would the Minister keep in mind what Mr. Winston Churchill had said with regard to neutrals?

Mr. Butler expressed his inability to follow all Mr. Davidson's insinuations but he could say that our policy was to secure improvements wherever possible.

Mr. Davidson remarked that the Chinese Embassy claimed that they recently won one of the greatest victories in the war.

Mr. Butler—"Yes, Mr. Quo Tien-chi communicated to us recently certain reports of that character."

TWO GENERALS
CONGRATULATED

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—The National Comfort Association has sent a telegram to Gen. Li Tsung-jen and Gen. Wei Li-huang, commanders of the Chinese forces in Honan and Hupeh, congratulating them on the recent Chinese victory. The despatch was signed by Gen. Chen Cheng, Director of the Political Department of the National Military Council, and concurrently chairman of the Association, and Messrs. Ku Chen-kang, Ma Chao-chun and Kuo Mo-jo, vice-chairmen.

Mr. Yu Yu-jen, head of the Control Yuan, has also sent a congratulatory message to Gen. Li Tsung-jen.

The National Women's Relief Association is sending two delegations with \$100,000, 10,000 pairs of shoes and several embroidered banners to comfort the Chinese frontline troops responsible for the recent victory in the Hupeh-Honan border regions.

GEN. ABE INACTIVE

CHUNGKING, May 22 (Central)—General Nobuyuki Abe dispatched by the Japanese Government as Envoy Extraordinary to the Wang-Ching-wel regime has been inactive since his arrival in Nanking in April, says a Shanghai dispatch.

Except attending a ceremony in celebration of the so-called "return of the National Government" to Nanking and other social functions, General Abe has not taken any important step toward the improvement of relations between Japan and the Wang-Ching-wel regime.

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1940.

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Gen. Garibaldi—No Mean
Soldier In Own Right

General Giuseppe ("Peppino") Garibaldi of Manhattan and Connecticut is the grandson and namesake of Italy's late great Liberator and no mean soldier in his own right. In 1897, aged 17, he climbed out of a window of the Technical College at Fermo, Italy, and made off to Athens, where his father was collecting a band of Italian volunteers to fight in the Greek war against the Turks.

It was then that he donned for the first time, the Garibaldi traditional red shirt ("because a man in a red shirt can neither hide nor retreat").

General Garibaldi's sons being called a soldier of fortune, explains that the only time he ever fought against his convictions was in the Boer War, when he joined a mounted column under Kitchener. At 23 he was leading 3,000 Venezuelan rebels against Dictator Cipriano Castro, held the title of Citizen-Colonel-and-Commander-of-the-Artillery-of-the-Army-of-the-Orient.

Faced with mutiny in one company, he shot every tenth man in the company. Later he was captured, chained to a damp wall in Puerto Cabello Fortress, whence he escaped by swimming through waters thick with sharks.

In 1910 he fought for Francisco Madero against Dictator Porfirio Diaz of Mexico. In 1914 he rounded his six adventurous brothers from all parts of the world, raised an Italian Legion of 14,000 men to fight for France. When Italy got into World War he volunteered, emerged as a brigadier general.

BLACK SHIRT "GANG"
As head of a clan of tyrant-hating Red Shirts, peppy Peppino Garibaldi naturally did not think much of Benito Mussolini's Black Shirts. In 1924 he called the Roman Legions of the Fascist militia "a gang in the pay of the Government" and the Legions commander, General Varini, challenged him to a duel.

Peppino retorted, said that insult had been meant for Mussolini, whom he would gladly fight any day. General Italo Balbo, then commander of all the militia, thereupon challenged him. Peppino still wanted Mussolini to fight in Finland. He was too late.

Last week General Garibaldi, now 60, was back in Italy again

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS
STOCK EXCHANGE
SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Shares	Nominal	WED., 22. MAY.,	Buyers	Sellers	Shares	Nominal
\$1310	H.K. Banks	\$1310	...	...	...
...	...	2514	...	Do (Col. Reg.)	2514	...	2514	...
...	...	2784	...	Chartered Banks	2784	...	2784	...
...	...	287	...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	287	...	287	...
...	...	292	...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	292	...	292	...
...	...	873	...	Bank of East Asia	873	...	874	...
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	80 ct.	...
...	Insurances	...	...	...	...
...	...	230	...	Canian Insurance	230	...	230	...
...	...	455	...	Union Insurance	455	...	455	...
...	...	86 cts.	...	Underwriters	86 cts.	...	86 cts.	...
\$170	H.K. Fire	\$170	...	70 cts	...
...	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	...	120	...	Douglas	120	...	120	...
...	...	211	...	Stearns	211	...	211	...
...	...	210	...	Indo-Chinese (Prod.)	210	...	210	...
...	...	850	...	Indo-Chinese (Dist.)	850	...	850	...
...	...	62/8	...	Shells	62/8	...	60/0	...
...	...	86.90	...	Waterboats	86.90	...	86.90	...
...	Docks, Wharves,	...	...	...	...
...	Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	...	8100	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	8100	...	8004	...
...	...	84.05	...	Providents	84.05	...	84	...
...	...	821	...	Providents (new)	821	...	821	...
...	H.K. Docks C. Rts.	...	...	...	...
...	do Rts.	...	...	...	...
...	...	821	...	H.K. Docks N. Rts.	821	...	821	...
...	Shanghai Docks E.	...	...	...	...
...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	...	10/0	...	Kai-sen	10/0	...	10/0	...
...	...	29.44	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	General Gold Fids	...	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Miners	...	...	...	...
...	...	6 cts.	...	Lands, Hotels and	...	...	...	...
...	Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	...	84.30	...	H.K. Hotel	84.30	...	84	...
...	...	834	...	H.K. Lands "B"	834	...	8100	...
...	...	810	...	Do 4% Debentures	810	...	8100	...
...	...	810.80	...	H.K. Lands "B"	810.80	...	84.20	...
...	...	84.20	...	H.K. Realities	84.20	...	87.00	...
...	...	88	...	Humphreys	88	...	8120	...
...	...	8104	...	Chinese Estates	8104	...	8104	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	810	...
...	...	8112	...	Ewo (S.)	8112	...	841	...
...	...	8210	...	Shai Cottons (S.)	8210	...	8210	...
...	Zoong Sing (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	...	8161	...	Tramways	8161	...	816.25	...
...	...	88	...	Peak Trams (old)	88	...	88	...
...	...	84	...	Peak Trams (new)	84	...	84	...
...	...	850	...	Star Ferries	850	...	850	...
...	...	822.82	...	Yunani Ferries	822.82	...	7/6.90	...
...	...	86.90	...	Do (new)	86.90	...	841	...
...	...	84	...	China Lights (O)	84	...	84	...
...	...	84	...	China Lights (New)	84	...	84	...
...	...	860	...	China Lights Rts.	860	...	860	...
...	...	821.10	...	Sandakan Lights	821.10	...	821.10	...
...	...	812	...	Telephones (old)	812	...	824	...
...	...	820	...	Telephones (new)	820	...	810.20	...
...	...	810.20	...	Tractions	810.20	...	824	...
...	...	817	...	Tractions (prod.)	817	...	824	...
...	...	817	...	Industrials	817	...	817	...
...	...	814.90	...	Cald. Mag. (Ord.) S.	814.90	...	814.90	...
...	...	812	...	Cald. Mag. (Pref.) S.	812	...	812	...
...	...	81	...	Canton Icos	81	...	81	...
...	...	817	...	Cement	817	...	815.80	...
...	...	851	...	Boys	851	...	851	...
...	...	820	...	Miscellaneous	820	...	820	...
...	...	820	...	Dairy Farm	820	...	820	...
...	...	87	...	Dairy Farm	87	...	87	...
...	...	87	...	Ch. E'tainments	87	...	87	...
...	...	813	...	Constructions (old)	813	...	813	...
...	...	81	...	Constructions (new)	81	...	81	...
...	...	881	...	Lam Crawford	881	...	881	...
...	...	881	...	Nanyang Tobacco	881	...	881	...
...	...	82.60	...	...	82.60	...	82.35	...
...	...	89	...	Watsons	89	...	88.40	...
...	...	48%	...	Ch. G. 5% 1926G Bds.	48%	...	48%	...
...	...	897	...	H.K. Govt. 4% Losses	897	...	102%	...
...	...	830	...	H.K. Govt. 2% Loan	830	...	96.2%	...
...	...	88	...	H.K. Wing On	88	...	83%	...
...	...	88	...	Wing On	88	...	814	...
...	...	88	...	Vibro Piffs	88	...	88	...
...	...	11/8	...	Marmans Inv. (Loc.)	11/8	...	...	...
...	...	4/3	...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	4/3	...	...	...
...	...	81.30	...	Wm. Powells	81.30	...	...	...
...	...	81	...	Sales "O" Shanghai	81	...	...	...

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, May 21.
The following quotations are the
middle prices at the close of the
market in London. All quotations
are subject to confirmation and no
responsibility is assumed for errors
in transmission.

War. Loan, 3% (Red
after 1952) 274
Canton-Kloon Rly. 5% 12
Chinese 4% Gold Loan
1938 (Brit. Issue) 50
Chinese 5% Gold. Bonds
1925-47 48
Chin. 4% Anglo-French
Loan 1908 49
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan
1912 20
Chinese 5% Brcg. Loan
1913 (Ldn. Is.) 30
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes
1925 (Vickers) 9
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5%
Loan 90
Honan Rly. 5% 12
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 16
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911
(German Issue) 13
Lung Tsing & C. H. 11
Rly. 5% 1913 11
Shai-N'king Rly. 5% 17
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%
(Brit. Std.) 11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%
(German Std.) 11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%
(Brit. Std. Supl. Loan) 11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%
(Ger. Std. Supl. Loan) 11
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1901 38
Jap. 8% Ster. Loan, 1924 43
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 61
Chartered Bank 82
H.K. & Shai Bank (Ldn.
Reg.) 78
H.K. & Shai Bank (Col.
Reg.) 81
Chinese Eng. & Mining
81

The Economic Front

ALLIED BLOCKADE
TIGHTENED

The tightening of the Allied blockade which proved so grim for Scandinavia, also stirred the Balkans. German shells and bombs are made from Swedish steel, but airplanes are built of duralumin, a copper alloy of aluminum, which is extracted from bauxite. Since the war began Germany has been dependent for bauxite almost entirely on Hungary and Yugoslavia, which produce 22 per cent of the world tonnage.

HEMMED AND HAWED

The Ankara, a 4,768-ton freighter whose home port is Bremen one of 28 German ships that holed up in Trieste when war began, last month ran down to Dubrovnik (better known to tourists as Ragusa), loaded, then lay for days while Belgrade hemmed and hawed.

The Germans asked for a naval escort through Yugoslavia's neutral waters, hoping to establish a system whereby Nazi freighters could ply all around the neutral Balkan peninsula from Russia's Black Sea oil ports. But Yugoslavs had no wish to offend the Allies.

MORE DUE

One dawn without escort and with a pilot who demanded \$1,200 for the 425-mile run to Trieste, the Ankara started creeping up inside the islands which fringe that rugged coast. The Ankara made Trieste unattacked. More bauxite boats were due to follow. Italy and Yugoslavia conferred over the week-end about closing the Adriatic, to belligerent warships.

Meanwhile Rumania had a parallel problem. Rumanian police, acting on a tip supposedly supplied by the pro-Nazi Iron Guard, detained a fleet of dynamite carrying British barges in the Danube. Their supposed destiny: to blast the Iron Gate, (the narrow gorge where the Danube cuts through the Carpathians) and block the channel to other barges carrying Rumanian oil to Germany.

FINANCE & GENERAL

Finance and Commerce

CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.
HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The 59th Ordinary Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd. was held yesterday. Mr. T. E. Pearce was in the chair, owing to the indisposition of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, chairman of the Consulting Committee.

Those present were Mr. D. E. Clark, Mr. A. H. Compton, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. J. H. Taggart (Directors) and Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. Ho Kam-tong, D. Hung, M. H. Lo, D. V. Stevenson, S. H. Ross, D. L. Newbiggin, J. Fleming, Lo Cheung-ip and C. B. Brown.

Before presenting the report, Mr. Pearce expressed regret for Mr. Paterson's absence owing to indisposition and wished the chairman a speedy recovery.

CHAIRMAN SPEECH

Presenting the annual report, Mr. Pearce said:—

The statement of accounts for the year 1938, which we now present to you, is I am pleased to say an appreciable improvement on that for 1937, the balance of \$1,228,070.07 being better by \$316,309.24 and this despite the fact that income from Premium and Interest fell by over \$636,000.

A comparison of ratios between the two years reveals losses at 54.27 per cent. for 1938 as against 69.63 per cent. for 1937, while the rise to 30.20 per cent. from 26.43 per cent. in respect of Charges is but the natural sequence to the drop in premium.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 22, 1940.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, £ 27/32
Bank Bills, on demand	1/3 5/32
Credits 4 months' sight	1/3 5/32
On Shanghai:	—
On demand	330
On Singapore:	—
On demand	52 5/8
On Japan:	—
On demand	52 5/8
On India:	—
Telegraphic Transfer, and demand	1/2 3/8
On New York:	—
Bank Bills, on demand	10 3/8
Credits, 60 days' sight	20 5/8
On Batavia:	—
On demand	3 1/8
On Paris:	—
Bank Bills, on demand	10 4/8
Credits 4 months' sight	11 4/8
On Salgon:	—
On demand	1 8 1/2
On Manila:	—
On demand	3 3/4
On Bangkok:	—
On demand	149 3/4
On Sterling Notes:	—
Bank Buying Rate	1/4
Bar Silver per oz.	22 9/16

Market Report
FROM ROZA BROS.

The price for Ready Silver dropped 1/16 to 22.9/16 out the Forward rate rose 1/16 to 22.7.16. Silver advices reported India and Speculators as having operated both ways. A small business was done. The market was quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York/London was quoted at 317.

MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/2.15/16 for near and forward, buyers at 1/2.11/32 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market opened with sellers at 19.5/8 but the rate gradually rose to 20 with a small business done at that rate. Subsequently 20.1/8 was also done for near and first half of June. The market closed with sellers at 20 for May and 19.15/16 June, buyers at 20 1/16 for May.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 350 and closed with sellers at 360 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sellers of Sterling at 41.8 for Spot and U.S. \$ at 51.16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 22 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates
Opening 0/3-3/4
London 0/3-3/4
New York 5
Japan 21-1/4
India 20-3/4
Paris 2.75
Hongkong 25
Sellers
Opening 0/4-9/64
Spot 0/4-9/64 0/4-5/64
May 0/4-1/8 0/4-1/16
June 0/3-31/32 0/3-57/64
U.S. Dollars
Spot \$5-21/32 \$5-17/32
May 5-5/8 5-15/32
June 5-3/8 5-7/32
Market—Inclined to be easy.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London, at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/21. The Equalisation rate was 184 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 21 (Reuter). Government 31/2 Rupee: 88-03 nominal.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 21 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 96-5/8.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, May 21 (Reuter).

TIN

Buyers sellers £ £

Standard, Cash 270-1/2 270-3/4

Standard 3 months, 268 268-3/4

Settlement Price 270-1/2

Straits 290-3/4 to 295-3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MAY 10, 1940. STOCKS Last Sale May 21

	MAY 10, 1940. STOCKS	LAST SALE	MAY 21, 1940. STOCKS	LAST SALE
Adams Express	5	5	J. & Laughlin Steel	7 pfd.
Alleghany Steel Co.	163	163	Kennecott Copper	254
Allied Stores	44	44	Lakey Foundry & Mac.	23
Allis Chalmers	244	244	Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	324
Aluminum Ltd.	68	68	Lockheed Aircraft	293
Amer. Can.	892	892	Loew's Inc.	22
Amer. Cyanamid B.	264	264	Lott Incorporated	17
Amer. & Foreign Power	1	1	Mack Truck Inc.	173
Amer. & Foreign Power	103	103	Martin Glen L.	324
American Gas & Elec.	273	273	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	18
Amer. Locomotive	113	113	Monsanto Chemical	944
Amer. Metals Co.	14	14	Montgomery Ward	324
Amer. Radiator	5	5	National Aviation	101
Amer. Rolling Mill	10	10	Nat. Dairy Products	123
Amer. Sting and Ring Co.	32	32	Nat. Distillers	183
Amer. Sugar Refining	15	15	National Gypsum	51
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	149	149	National Lead	151
Amer. Tobacco "B"	704	704	Nat. Power & Light	6
Amer. Waterworks	51	51	National Steel Corp.	48
Anaconda Copper	19	19	National Supply Corp.	5
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	14	14	New York Central	91
Auburn Motors	4	4	Niagara Hudson Power	34
Aviation Corp.	54	54	N. American Aviation	18
Bacoc & Wilcox	194	194	North American Co.	154
Baldwin Locomotive	138	138	Northern Pacific	41
Baltimore & Ohio	3	3	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	48
Barber Asphalt Co.	9	9	Pacific Gas & Elec.	264
Barnsall Oil	8	8	Pacific Lighting	34
Bell Aircraft Corp.	164	164	Packard Motors	23
Bandix Aviation	264	264	Pan-American Airways	131
Bethlehem Steel	689	689	Paramount Pictures	41
Bliss & Co.	131	131	Pennsylvania R.R.	151
Boeing Airplane Co.	173	173	Philips-Dodge	27
Borg-Warner	144	144	Philadelphia Read, Coal	1
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	81	81	Phillips Petroleum	273
Briggs Mfg.	161	161	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	57
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	104	104	Public Service of N.J.	334
Brooklyn-Manhattan \$6.	34	34	Pullman Inc.	161
Budd M'facturing Corp.	21	21	Pure Oil	74
Canadian Pacific R'way	40	40	Radio Corp. of Am.	48
Case, J.I.	21	21	Reading Company	102
Celanese	314	314	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4*
Chesapeake & Ohio	57	57	Republic Aviation Corp.	5
Chrysler Corp.	251	251	Republic Steel	143
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	70	70	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	1
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	44	44	Reynold Tobac. "B"	354
Columbus Gas & Elec.	78	78	Richfield Oil	64
Columbus 6% "A" pfd.	284	284	Safeaway Stores	343
Commercial Credit Co.	241	241	Schenley Distillers	71
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	53	53	Sears Roebuck	63
Consolidated Edison	34	34	Shell Union Oil	81
Consolidated Oil	173	173	Socoxy-Vacuum Oil	71
Continental Can	17	17	Southern Pacific	7
Continental Oil	17	17	Southern Rly \$5 pfd.	148
Copperweld Steel	45	45	Sperry	347
Corn Products	81	81	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	20
Curtiss Wright (C.)	22	22	Standard Brands	51
Curtiss Wright "A"	14	14	Stand Gas & Elec.	14
Deere & Co.	123	123	Standard Oil of California	173
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	741	741	Standard Oil of N.J.	303
Douglas Aircraft	1494	1494	Stone & Webster	51
Du Pont de Nemours	74	74	Studebaker Corp.	6
Eagle Picher Lead	241	241	Swift Internatinal	193
Eagle Mfg. Co.	251	251	Technicolor	81
Elec. Autolite	4	4	Texas Corp.	343
Elec. Bond & Share	42	42	Texas Gulf Sulphur	343
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	52	52	Timken-Axle	194
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pfd.	20	20	Trans-America Co.	43
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pfd.	91*	91*	20th Cent. Fox	5
Fish Rubber	101	101	20th Cent. Fox, \$1 pfd.	144
Flintkote	37	37	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	103
Gen. American Trans.	291	291	Union Carbide & Carbon	66
Gen. Electric	401	401	Union Pacific	75
Gen. Motors	104	104	United Aircraft	421
Gen. Railway Signal	101	101	United Airlines Trans.	128
Gen. Tire & Rubber	111	111	United Corp.	11
Glidden Co.	104	104	United Corp. \$3 cum pfd.	274
Goodrich (B.F.)	45	45	United Gas Corp.	14
Goodrich \$5 pfd.	137	137	United Industrial Alcohol	154
Goodyear Tire & Co.	118	118	U.S. Rubber	154
Great Northern Iron Ore	161	161	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	701
Great Northern Rly, pfd.	181	181	U.S. Steel	44
Great Western Sugar	91	91	Vanadium	271
Greyhound Corp.	781	781	Vultee Aircraft	8
Hercules Powder Co.	434	434	Walworth Co.	31
Homestake Mining	36	36	Warner Bros. Pict.	21
International Harvester	201	201	Westinghouse Elec.	81
Int. Nickel	114	114	Woodward Iron Cor.	184
Inter. Paper & Power	21	21	Chase National Bank	243
Int. Tel. & Tel.	49	49	National City Bank	21*

—bid. —ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939/40	May 21, 1940.	High	Low	Close	Change
High	156.92	121.41	30	Industrials	123.43
Low	35.90	23.65	20	Rails	23.98

PRESIDENT LINER
Sailings



HONGKONG to SINGAPORE direct
First week in June.

HONGKONG to SAN FRANCISCO direct
Last week in June.

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IMMINENT SAILINGS
PASSENGER AND FREIGHT

SHANGHAI and JAPAN THIS WEEK

SYDNEY, MELBOURNE,
via MANILA and Way Ports NEXT WEEK.

JAPAN NEXT WEEK.

LIVERPOOL, via SINGAPORE
BOMBAY, MARSEILLES (CASA-
BLANCA), etc EARLY JUNE

SHAL, JAPAN, HONOLULU,
SAN FRANCISCO and
LOS ANGELES FORTNIGHTLY.

VANCOUVER and SEATTLE FORTNIGHTLY.

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PASSENGERS

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The following passengers arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Mr. J. C. Ellis, Mr. K. Shimada, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. French and children. Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Tapian.

The following were in transit on the same vessel:

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fish, Mr. P. N. Sicault, Miss M. Suguet.

DEPARTURES

The following passengers left Hongkong yesterday:

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Warning, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Tiedemann, Mr. and Mrs. Van den Berg, Mr. P. L. W. Leguit, Mr. and Mrs. D. Seljal, Miss L. ter Marsch, Mr. W. Minderhout.

AUXILIARY NURSING SERVICE

The following members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service satisfied the examiners at the recent First Aid examination, and will receive their St. John Ambulance Association certificates in due course.

Florence Facy, Dorothy Piercy, Margaret Parsons, Gertrude Choa, Esme Prentis, Helen Ho, Gwyneth Lloyd-Jones, Elizabeth Paton, Gladys Saunders, Vera Sloccks, Sheila Anderson, Marie Clarke, Dorothy Germain, Mary Goodwin, Anna Simpson, Jessie Pearson, Dorothy Shillston, Helen Lade, Mary Wilson, Josephine Chou, Elaine Davis, Gillian Fetham, Edith Bousfield, Ethel Kefle.

Members who are now eligible for hospital training are asked to send in their names so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Masters of vessels are warned that operations in connection with the lifting of the mooring blocks of A-1 buoy will be in progress on May 23, 24 and 25.

The mooring lighters will exhibit the usual red flag and vessels navigating in the vicinity must reduce their speed and proceed with caution.

ANOTHER JAPANESE WARSHIP

TOKYO, May 22 (Reuter)—Another Japanese warship will be added to the Japanese Fleet when the Tsungaru, which is being built at the naval yard at Yokosuka, will be launched.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) announces that the following unclaimed telegrams are lying in their offices:

Partridge 218 Nathan Road, from Shanghai; Ng Pui Fun c/o Tin Sui Tong Des Voeux Road C, from Shanghai; Luk Kwok Hotel, from Shanghai; Chu 504 Luk Kwok Hotel, from Shanghai; Harold Arab Kowloon Hotel, from Tokyo; A. Bynen 77 Jade Road, from Kobe.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., May 21. Barometer (at sea level), 29.76 ins.

Temperature, 75 F.

Humidity, 84 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Temperature, maximum yesterday:

77 F.

Temperature, minimum last night:

70 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th

today, 0.08 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st:

25.91 ins.

Against an average of, 18.33 ins.

Sunset tonight, 7 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.40 a.m.

4 p.m., May 22.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.72 ins.

Temperature, 74 F.

Humidity, 88 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 74 F.

Minimum temperature, 70 F.

Rainfall, nil.

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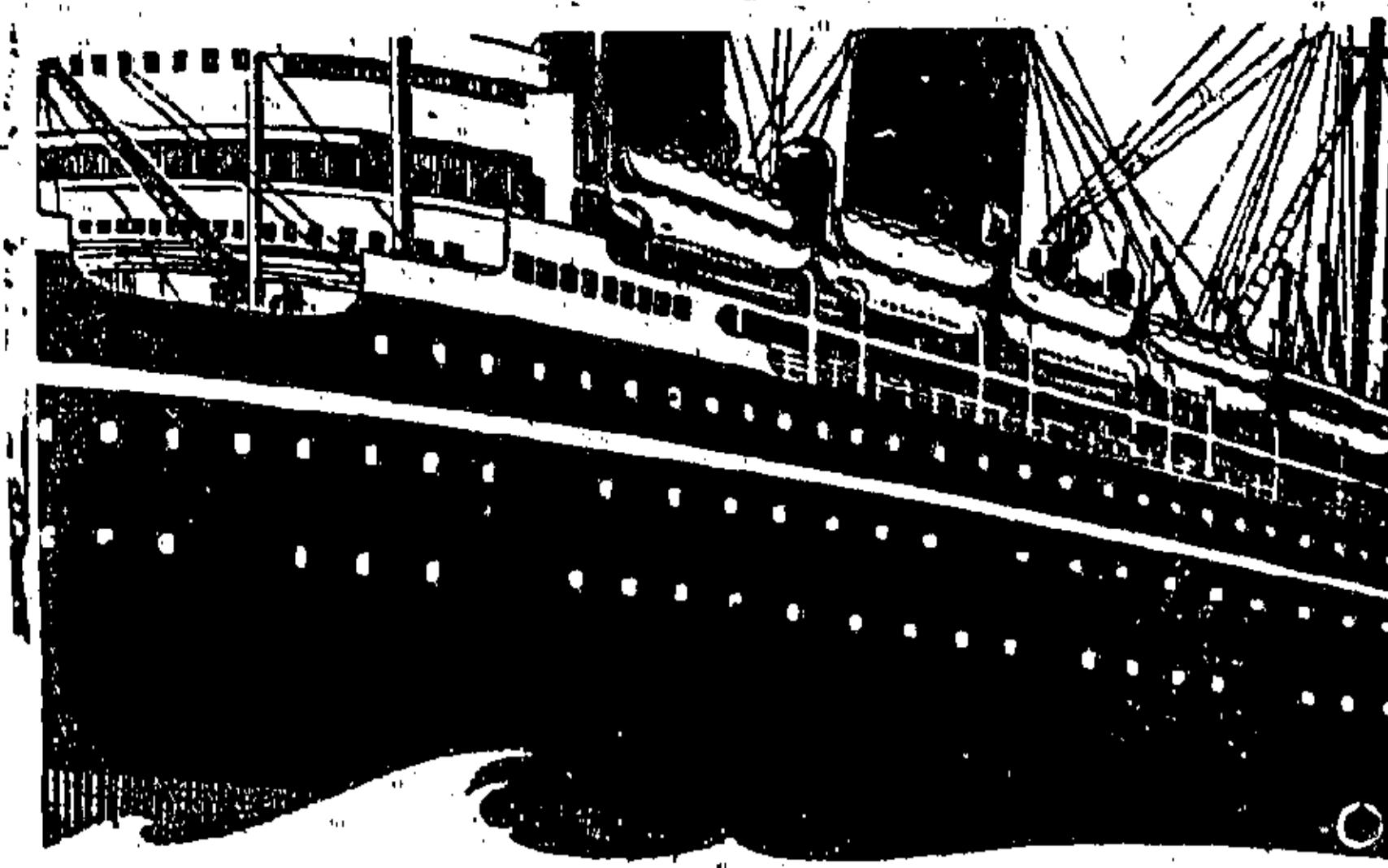
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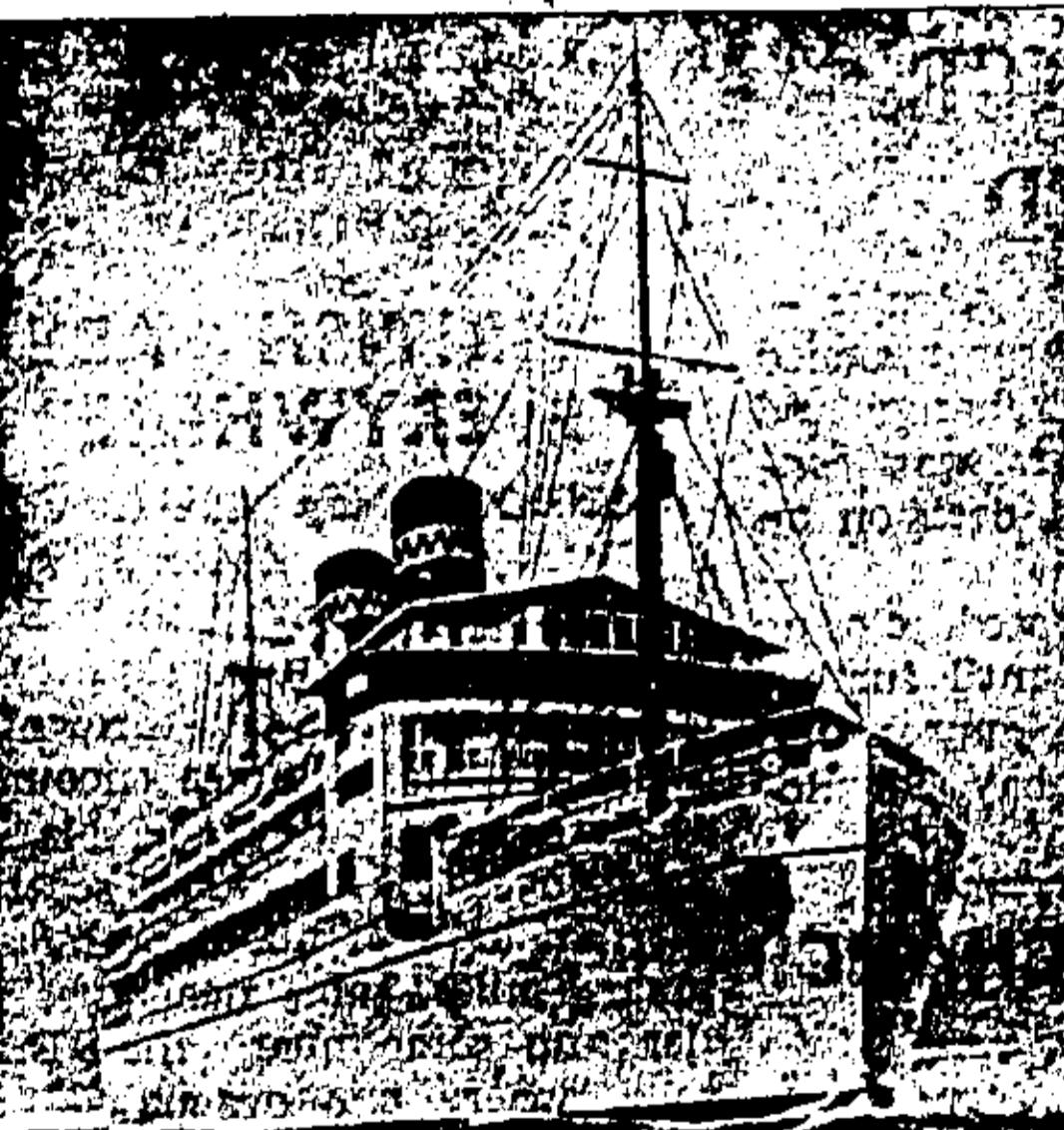
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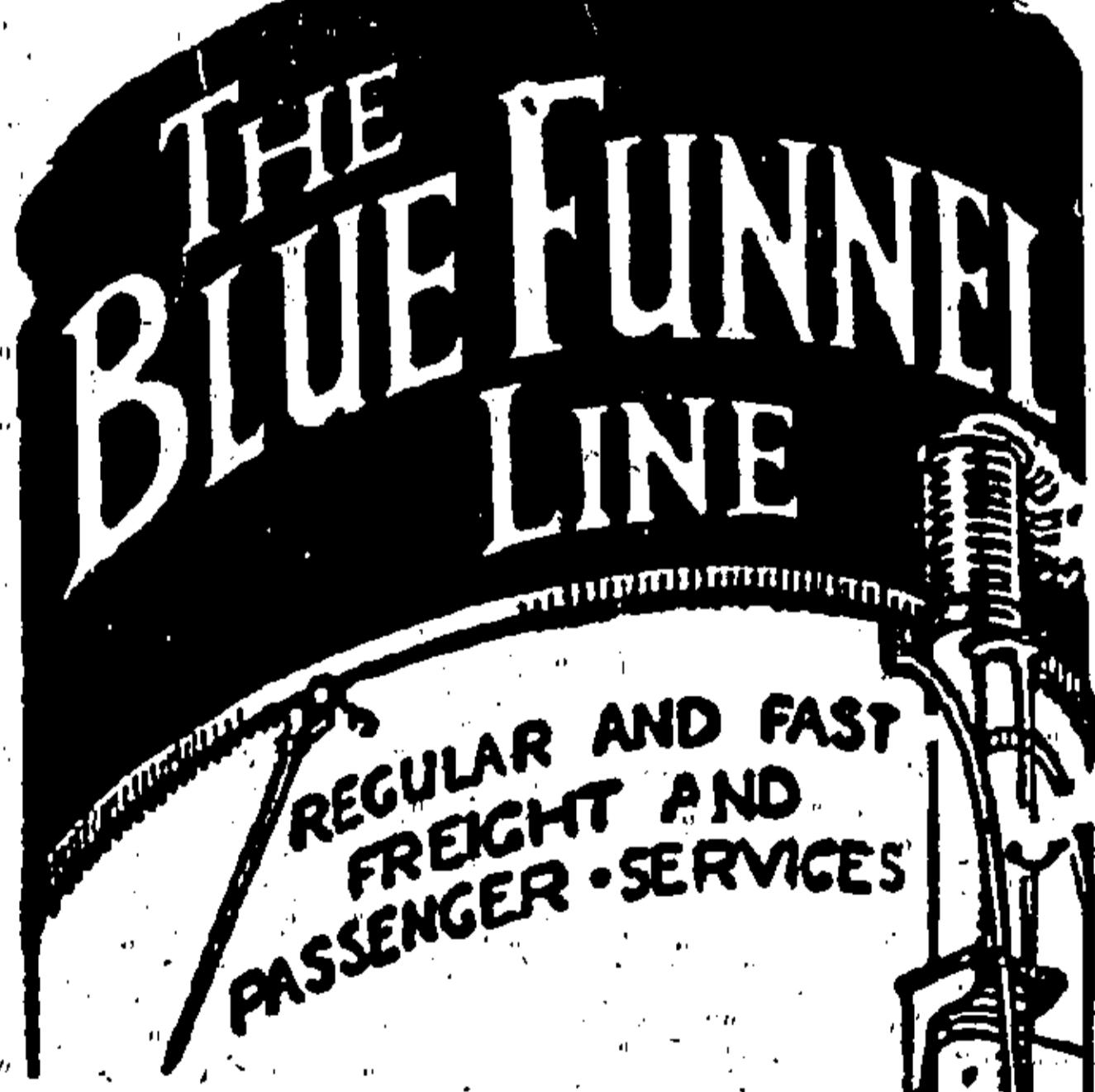
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French Leave Laon But Germans Throw Back

Enemy In Precarious State Unless Reinforced

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Military quarters state the main German efforts are undoubtedly directed towards the Channel ports, with the aim of cutting off communications of the northern wing of the Allied armies.

The British Expeditionary Force is fighting well on the positions assigned to it. Authoritative quarters declare it is impossible to give a clear picture of the general situation on the western front.

The French forces covering Laon, 70 miles north-east of Paris, were yesterday ordered to evacuate, but all German efforts to press forward since their occupation of the town have been easily thrown back.

Fifth Column Suspects Interned In Britain

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—About 20 Dutch and Belgian refugees suspected of fifth column activities have been interned by the British police on information from the Continent.

Some, it is stated, were brought to England in British ships.

Great vigilance is being shown over alien refugees in order to frustrate enemy attempts to land fifth column elements in this country.

TOO STRONG AN ALLIANCE

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The New York Times in an editorial says, "Germany is trying to divide France from Britain physically, as German diplomacy has previously sought to separate the two Allies spiritually. Of one thing we may be certain. That the alliance between France and Britain is unbreakable, as both people have stubborn loyalty and courage, which was never more magnificently displayed than in an hour of great trial."

Both are clear-eyed enough to see that they would be the next inevitable victims of German fury, if either of them could be isolated, and then defeated, through the ability of the German army to throw its full strength in one direction or other."

In the afternoon, heavy bombing attacks were made in the Arras and Bapaume area.

"All our aircraft returned."

During the night, a large force of R.A.F. bombers attacked troop concentrations in the Cambrai, Le Cateau and St. Quentin area.

CONTINUOUS ENGAGEMENTS

In the forest of Noyon, north of the Aisne, a successful attack was made on enemy troops and several large fires were started.

From these operations five of our aircraft failed to return.

Yesterday, our bomber and fighter aircraft were continuously engaged in operations over a confused fighting front in Belgium and northern France.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

BOMBAY, May 22 (Reuter)—Trading has not yet been resumed on the local Stock Exchange and a meeting of members was convened to formulate a decision on the matter.

The meeting proposed closing the Stock Exchange until further notice subject to the approval of the Governor of Bombay, Sir Roger Lumley.

WHEN THE CHANCE COMES

GOTHENBURG, May 22 (Reuter)—The Goteborgsposten says,

"The situation changes the Allies' advantage in the same degree as the German armoured divisions spread. Then, if not before, the Allies' chance will come. General Weygand certainly knows when to grasp that chance."

POSSESSION OF A DAGGER

Charged with possession of two daggers in Shantung Street about 7 p.m. on May 17, a painter, Man Yu, 24, was sentenced by Mr. E. Hinsworth at Kowloon Court yesterday to six months' hard labour. He will be recommended for banishment.

Det-Sergt. Morrison, who prosecuted defendant, said that defendant and Choi Fa, 33, another painter, were stopped in Shantung Street by Chinese constable and searched. A paper parcel containing the daggers was found on defendant, and a whistle and chain on the other man.

Both were charged with unlawful possession of arms. The police learned that a fight was to have taken place the same night outside the Mongkok Theatre between two rival gangs, and it was believed defendants were to have taken part in the fight. The second man was discharged for lack of evidence.

"But there will be a French reply and we must wait for this," he declared.

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LABOUR PARTY SPOKESMAN

H. B. LEES-SMITH APPOINTED

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Right Hon. Hastings Bertrand Lees-Smith, M.A., D.Sc. (London), M.P., has been appointed by the Parliamentary Labour Party to be Chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party's Executive.

He will be the chief spokesman of the Labour Party in the House of Commons and will also act in the capacity of Leader of the Opposition putting questions to the Government and arranging for the conduct of business in the House.

Mr. C. R. Attlee and Mr. Arthur Greenwood remain Leader and Deputy Leader, respectively, of the Parliamentary Labour Party and other members who are members of the Government will retain their status as members of the Party Executive.

Mr. Lees-Smith first joined the Labour Party in 1919. He was Postmaster-General from 1929 to 1931 when he became President of the Board of Education.

GERMANS IN DANGER

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French troops at these two towns are in a highly precarious position unless the narrow gaps through which the ground forces passed can be considerably widened.

They may cause much disorganization, but cannot hold on unless they get support from large forces.

The French are loud in their praise for the magnificent work of the R.A.F. which they say will go down in history as an example of heroic triumph over tremendous odds. They have intervened at critical stages of the battle on several occasions to smash the resoluteness of German attacks.

BLENHEIMS BOMB TROOP CENTRES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—The Air Ministry announces that on Monday morning Blenheim aircraft made a successful attack on armoured vehicles in the Arras and Cambrai area.

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PROFITEERING!

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. I. C. Hannan asked whether the Japanese Army authorities in Tientsin own seven-eighths of the capital in the transport lorry companies, to which they have

granted monopoly; that for movement of goods into and out of the British Concession a \$15 per hour hire is charged; that lorries are deliberately detained at the barriers for from one day to two weeks until sufficient hire for revenue is earned to satisfy the Japanese Military Authorities, the amount being determined in advance for the nature and value of the cargo; and would the Under-Secretary draw the attention of the Japanese Government to this injustice to British interests.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that Lord Halifax is causing enquiries to be made.

NON-STOP WORK IN PLANE FACTORIES

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, has issued an appeal to all employees on aeroplane production to work on Saturday and Sunday, the next week-end and the following week-end.

"They are asked to work by night and day on full overtime for the present," says the appeal.

Any firm unable to follow this advice for any reason is invited to telegraph Lord Beaverbrook explaining the difficulties and everything possible will be done to smooth them out."

GRAVER POSITION

LONDON, May 22 (Reuter)—French official circles in London stated last night that the position on the Western Front was "in a way still graver than it was yesterday."

The official added that the German claims of having occupied Arras and Amiens referred to motorised units only.

"But there will be a French reply and we must wait for this," he declared.

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FOREIGN MAIIS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 23rd MAY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

On Friday, the 24th May, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long.

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